



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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"Come" -- "Tarry" -- "Go"

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Text: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28.

"But tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." Luke 24:49.

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

These familiar scriptures contain, I believe, the three greatest verbs of the New Testament. The study of the parts of speech is interesting indeed. When you undertake to study another language, you must study the verbs for they are important. In every language they express ACTION, BEING, or STATE OF BEING.

One Bible teacher once said the great verbs of life are "KNOW," "BE" and "DO". Jesus taught that in order TO KNOW the doctrine of God, we were TO DO His will, thus making it possible for us TO BE like Him.

The first verb is "COME." I'm informed that the word occurs 642 times in the Bible. But of all the "comes," those of Jesus are the most precious. Notice the full reference, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." "Come" was Jesus' word to His disciples, Andrew, Peter, James, and John. Also to Matthew at the seat of customs He said, "Come." To Zaccheus He said, "Come." To the young, rich ruler, and again to the seventy He said, "Come."

When we consider the word "come" we find it to be the initial act on the

part of the individual. You hear the call, COME; you sense danger, then as you are converted, that is, changed in your views—faith springs in and you fear God. Then believing His invitation includes you, you accept Him by faith and oh, the glory of becoming a child of God! Many never stay until they are sure of the transformation. They fear, and possibly join the church, but brother, church membership, or signing a card, or just telephoning your name in for the record alone is not sufficient. Stay until you hear from heaven, until you know you have passed from death unto life. Then you will never forget the glad, happy day. Some as children have accepted the Lord and can scarcely remember when they began to pray, in fact, were baptized with the Holy Ghost when only a child. Others who were deep in sin saw their condition, heard the invitation to come, wept their way to God, giving up all their old evil ways, thus making a most radical change in their lives. The old drunken buddy of the former hours laughingly said, "He'll be back soon." Others said, "The whole thing will blow over within a few days." But thank God, instead the experience has grown sweeter. The disciples remembered that He said to go to Jerusalem. Tarry. Yes, they saw the need of the blessing. Have you?

"Tarry" means to linger, to stay, delay, or live in a place for a while. The disciples and others including women, about 120 all together, tarried there for several days, continually praising and

blessing God. They had been with Jesus before for about three years, unlike many of to-day, who, I fear would have said, I have learned all I need to know. I have graduated, having been a student with the MASTER teacher for three years, but their association with Him in the past only intensified the desire to do His complete will and wishes, by tarrying. Altho' Jesus had said to go into all the world, yet they felt that first things of Jesus must come first. Delay your going. Linger at the upper room UNTIL. How long? UNTIL ye be indued with power (dynamite), strength, so that later it was said, "Those who turn the world upside down have come hither also." Every gospel minister since that command was given to "tarry" should obey this imperative demand. Tarry until baptized with the Holy Ghost.

Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." We need to learn of Him, take His yoke. Can you imagine what a great privilege it would have been to study three years with the MASTER teacher? It is necessary for one to learn before he can become a teacher. You must commune with God before you can communicate to others. The disciples, though not men of learning as the scribes, their study with Jesus who put real life into the words gave them an inspirational grasp of the wonderful truths, which was to the consternation of the big thinker of the day. But remember,

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Notices

The Sunday School banner goes to Erwin, N. C., Brother Winters, pastor. Fair Haven comes next. The Y. P. E. banner goes to Cramerton, N. C., Brother Harmon, pastor, with an increase of 289 for December. Bessemer City came next. We had only a few schools and Y. P. E.'s to report. Please boost this so you can win the banner.—G. C. Hamby, state secretary of S. S. and Y. P. E.

There will be an all-day service at Do-cena, Ala. the fifth Sunday in this month. We invite you to come and be with us. Singers, we will be looking for you. We will have dinner there, so come and bring a well-filled basket.—W. J. Shumaker, pastor.

Notice to Y. P. E.'s and Sunday Schools of North Carolina: I have been appointed by Brother Stephens as state superintendent of Y. P. E. and Sunday School. I plan to visit each church as soon as I can. I shall be glad to have a line from the presidents of each local Y. P. E. or the pastor of each church who does not have a Y. P. E., stating what night of the week you have your service. If in any way I can assist you, I am ready as best I can to serve you. If I don't get to you as early as you think I should, just remember there's about one hundred churches to visit and it will require some time to get to all.

Come on, Y. P. E. leaders, let's do more to increase our number and converts than ever before. Let's be sure that the monthly report is sent in promptly to Brother G. C. Hamby. If you have been the least bit slack in this respect, let's don't do it anymore, let's double our number. We can do it. And listen, Sunday Schools, we have the national banner for the Sunday Schools but somebody else will try to get it next year. Are we going to let them have it? If we keep it, we will certainly have to work. I feel that we are going to do that. We don't want an increase for the name and national banner alone, but that is a good way to get the Word of God to people who never go to preaching. Let's do our best, taking advantage of the great opportunity that we now have to win souls to Jesus. Surely He's coming soon. Let's put our shoulders to the wheel and not be discouraged but work, work, work! I suggest that each Y. P. E. president order a report book from the Publishing House which is arranged very nicely for monthly reports. They are only 15c and will make it much easier for reporting.

You'll like it. Remember your humble servant in prayer.—Very sincerely yours for bigger and better Y. P. E.'s and Sunday Schools, T. C. Franklin, 208 S. Rose Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.

To the Sunday Schools in Mississippi: The state Sunday School banner goes to Cleveland, Miss., church for January. Oak Ridge, Hattiesburg, and Cleveland churches have received the banner since the Assembly. Seven Sunday Schools reported for October, sixteen for November, and nineteen for December. Tala-halie Sunday School had the largest increase for November but did not report in time, so be sure to report in time, as we expect to start the banner to its next place by the afternoon of the 5th. Now there are many things that every Sunday School may do to increase in number and interest.

If the pastors, superintendents, teachers, and officers will lead the way, others will follow. Give a prize to the one who will bring the largest number of students. Visit some neglected person, show them you are interested in them, and let everyone know you have a place for them and that the Sunday School is expecting their presence each Sunday morning. I believe this is our greatest opportunity to work for God and His Church.—A. J. Gardner, S. S. supt., Box 1143, Hattiesburg, Miss.

We will have a Sunday School and Y. P. E. rally here Sunday, Jan. 24, beginning at 2:30 p. m. This is a district rally and all the churches on the district will be here. We are expecting Brother Grant, state superintendent, and Sister Martin, district superintendent. Come everybody, let's have a great time that day.—W. H. Horton, pastor, Union, S. C.

To the members of the Church of God at Pittsburg, Kans., we are making our final drive for aged ministers' fund of ten cents per member to be paid on or before Jan. 31st, as that will be ample time for it to be in. You who are away may send it to our secretary and treasurer, W. R. Bolte, 1008 E. 13th St., Pittsburg, Kans. I am sure the Lord will bless you for the same. Let's rally to the front for those old veterans of the gospel who have born the burdens in the heat of the day.—Yours in the Master's service, J. B. Clark, pastor, R. R. 4, Pittsburg, Kans.

Dear Evangel readers and members of the Church of God on the Washington, N. C. district, since Brother J. L. Stephens has appointed me district pastor of the Washington district, we invite you to the home coming on the fifth Sunday in January, the 31st. Bring a

well-filled basket and enjoy the day in the service of the Lord. Everybody welcome to the Church of God at Snow Branch, Washington, N. C., Rt. 3.—Earl Hamman, district pastor, 1806 Dickeson Ave., Greenville, N. C.

WANTED: A tent in good condition. Write Mrs. J. H. Donaldson, Box 26, Sweetwater, Tenn.

Notice to the Sunday Schools in Virginia: The state banner is awarded to Glamorgan for the month of January. Chilhowie ran a close second by only one-half of a point. Marion is third. Here are some schools that aren't reporting regularly, and we urge you to do so. Remember, we're working for better Sunday Schools.—Marvin E. Porter, state S. S. superintendent, Austinville, Va.

To the churches and clerks of Virginia: I have been informed that there are some of the clerks who do not have my address. My address is Route 1, Box 371, Roanoke, Va. I wonder if you have your missions up to date. We should see that our missions are paid up to date the same as any other bill. It's a debt you owe, so why not pay it.—Sincerely, J. H. Daniels, state mission treasurer.

While Brother Atkins is in Bible School, the pastors express their favor of our appointing T. C. Franklin in his place as state superintendent of the Y. P. E. and Sunday Schools of North Carolina. Brother Franklin's address is 208 S. Rose Ave., Kannapolis, N. C. His quota from each local church may be sent direct to him.—John L. Stephens.

Dear Sunday Schools everywhere, it is indeed a great privilege that we have to teach the Word of God. Don't say you can't teach, God can make a great teacher out of you, I have always so loved Sunday School work.

We must never let our Sunday School drag or become dull. This Sunday School should meet on time at the appointed hour, and each teacher be in place, full of zeal and ready to teach the wonderful message in the lesson. If it is impossible for them to be there they should notify the superintendent, who will have the assistant take her or his place. There is so little thought given the assistant, but they should be just as punctual and prepared as the regular teacher. And the way, dear ones, to prepare is to take your Bible and our splendid quarterly, and on your knees get the inspiration from God that you should have.

We had the pleasure a few weeks back of visiting our banner-winning school at
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Steadfastness In the Doctrine

BY H. W. POTEAT

Paul the Apostle gave his young son Timothy, in the gospel, admonition that I feel applies all down the line, to all Church of God ministers, where he said in 1 Tim. 4:16, "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." It is so important for us Church of God preachers to preach the same thing.

In Acts 20:28 Paul says, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." 1 Cor. 12:28 says, "And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues." Again, Isa. 28:9 says, "Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts." Matt. 15:9, "But in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men."

John 7:17 says, "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." We may go to school and study all our lives but there is some of the doctrine that we can never know until we earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints. Jesus said, "And I will pray the Father, and he shall send you another Comforter," and, "he will guide you into all truth," which means that He will lead us out of all error. Some may say, "Our theologies are just crossed a little." Yes, that may be true, but He, the Holy Ghost, will untangle our theologies, since He is the teacher. The Word says, "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not."

When I hear some say, "We can never see alike," I wonder if they have lost their vision. Jesus prayed for us to be one. They were one for 325 years. Man's theologies crept in and caused the dark ages to come upon us. In 1900 the Holy Ghost began to manifest Himself in a special way and to lead us back to the old landmarks, and we have the same Jesus, the same God, and the same doctrine.

"But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached, let him be accursed," Gal. 1:4. There are many ways and theories about God's

great plan of how to be saved, but the plain, simple answer which Jesus gave to Nicodemus, that "ye must be born again," applies to every human soul. Let every one earnestly seek God, and that is the experience they will obtain. If this be true concerning this all-important step with God, it is just as surely true concerning all the other experiences. Acts 2:42 says, "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayer." Rom. 16:17, "Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them."

Eph. 4:14, "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive." Another place says, "If it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." Then if we must do His will in order to know of the doctrine, if we do not fully obey God we are liable to be deceived. The ministry as a whole should earnestly seek God concerning their fields of labor, instead of exchanging churches and revivals, and consulting the tithe register instead of God's divine will.

For the encouragement of those who feel the call of God but seemingly have no opening, seek God. If you are determined to preach the doctrine, God has a place for you. The trouble is some don't pray and seek God for their place but depend on the state overseer and district overseer to place them and a lot of the time they just don't have the place they can fill, which, as a rule, causes hard feelings. There is a great need for laborers who will seek God's will. Many good preachers are laboring today in God's permissive will, and have been for years, when if they would seek God's divine will and obey Him, He would reveal His doctrine more clearly on every line and many signs and wonders would follow today. The same God, same Jesus, same Holy Ghost, same doctrine and same consecration and obedience will bring the same results that they had in the early Church.

1 Cor. 12:13 says, "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free." This one Spirit that led the Jews and Gentiles into one body of people will also lead them to regeneration, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, water baptism, divine heal-

ing, tithe paying, the nine gifts, and the seven graces, and will certainly lead us all to the same Church, which is the body of Christ, which is the pillar and ground of the truth. He will certainly not lead to different churches and doctrines but will lead all to the one whose foundation standeth sure. There is only one way for God's children to be separated and that is disobedience to the one Spirit. If all obey, we will all go the same way.

2 Tim. 3:16, 17 says, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 4:2 says, "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." 2 John 1:9, 10, "Whosoever transgresseth and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son." Another place says, "If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed, for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds." 1 Cor. 1:10, "Now I beseech you, brethren (not sinners, but brethren), by the name of one Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." Amen.

The Faithfulness of Our Y. P. E.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn.—I give God the praise for our Y. P. E. and Sunshine Class. They made others happy during the holidays. They fixed toys and made sunshine baskets to give out to the poor and needy. In raising our quota for our state headquarters at Edgewood Grove, Somerset, Pa., our Young People's Endeavor sold Christmas cards and donated to our state headquarters \$10.00. I feel that our Y. P. E. should get the credit. I praise them for their good work and the good spirit they showed to those who were in need. I trust these few words will encourage our Y. P. E. throughout the states. We ask all who know the worth of prayer to pray that God will keep them faithful.—H. Hanley, secretary, Y. P. E., 1415 Frankford Ave.

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down this ladder represented the divine providence at work. Coming down to earth they put God's plan into execution. This represented God to Jacob in reality, and gave him the courage to go forward, proving that though he was in a wilderness, and a fugitive, God would bring him out.

We cannot put God's plan into effect without Him. We may press in and make our claims, advise, and plan, but it will be at a terrible cost. God may bring out His cause and show honor and favor to those who are laboring, but it would pay us to be sure that we are right. Divine providence was not lonely in the wilderness; it did not lack direction. In the most difficult problems His presence and power can and will work things out for His glory and for the good of those concerned. The avenues from earth to glory are never blocked. God will carry on His work and bring His plans to pass if we will only put our simplicit trust in Him.

GOD RULETH

"Alleluia! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth," Rev. 19:6.

God is the Lord of hosts; He is the great commander of heaven and earth. He it is who directs all conflicts in war. No field is pitched, no battle fought but by His special order or permission. We feel that many wars and conflicts are brought on by the sin of the nations and sometimes God permits them to devour one another. But the final victories all belong to God, and remember one thing, that He will have His way with the nations of earth, and His plan and purpose will finally triumph. Even so men, who behold the state of earth with eyes of flesh, dimmed by reason of corruption of their judgment and their weakness, think all things are out of order. They see servants riding on horses and princes going on foot. But if they would go into God's Word and judge the accuracy by heavenly principles, then they would confess that they are but dust and ashes and out of order. Who can better marshal the great armies of the world than the Lord of glory who has a divine purpose to have wrought out in the world, and who will finally have nations and men to obey His will, and who will finally bring triumph and glory to His servants?

We see in Russia and other countries, the Christians martyred, but if you will notice, the denomination that has received the hardest blow is the Catholics, and in my judgment this is God's divine justice wrought out for they are directly and indirectly responsible for the martyrdom of over three million Christians. While some of the innocent have suffered
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✻ Editorials ✻

A VISIT TO THE ISLANDS

Our General Overseer and party left Cleveland on Jan. 12 to visit the work in the islands. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Cross, T. M. McClendon, E. C. Clark, E. W. Williams. We hope that this party will be a blessing to the work in the islands.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

To those who are writing reports, notices, and testimonies to the paper: Since the Assembly we have had to cut some of them down, and if we continue to print them as fast as they come in we will have to cut them all at least half. We hate to complain but you will do us a kindness by making them as brief as possible and it will give more room for other material that should go in the paper.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

"We would see Jesus. Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me," John 12:21; 5:39.

The Scripture is our only guide in this grace age, to salvation, truth, and right. The Holy Ghost is to guide us, but never contrary to the written Word. It is fortunate for the people of this age, that they can be sure that they are right for the Spirit and the Word agree. When the wise men came from afar to see Jesus, the only guidance they had was the star they saw, and as they travelled this star was ever before them. When they arrived in Jerusalem, they decided to go to the king's palace, but the star led them not thither. They went there for instructions. The star disappeared because they had turned aside from following it. They lost sight of their guide.

This should teach us a valuable lesson, that when we are going to learn Christ and seek Christ, who is above, to beware

lest we lose sight of the star of God's Word, which is the only mark that shows us where Christ is and which way we may come to Him. Note the expression David used in Psalms, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet." We should not be led aside by every false way. By keeping close to the Word of God we shall be brought to a knowledge of Christ. It is the Word that giveth light, and by strictly adhering to the Word we may receive the blessings in our hearts that will keep us filled with joy here and give us eternal life hereafter. "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life."

ABIDE GOD'S TIME

"And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven; and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it," Gen. 28:12.

Jacob was in a place that was lonely. He needed encouragement. After he had completely betrayed his brother and received the birthright that he thought would bring joy, trouble began. But the divine providence which governs all things, came on the scene. No doubt the Lord was not pleased with Esau and Jacob's life and manner was more acceptable. If Jacob had waited on God, the plan would have been worked out without the deeds of treachery, but Jacob, like many others, was anxious to receive the blessing, and to satisfy his anxiety he and his mother put into effect a plan by which he could be sure. But that plan caused Jacob much trouble. It separated him from his parents and in all probability he never saw them again. He had to go through many trials of deception and finally pray all night to bring himself in favor with God. God's plan was carried out but at a terrible cost to Jacob.

Providence is never idle but always employed in the preservation of the just. These angels as they travelled up and

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THE SECRET OF THE LORD

"The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant," *Psa. 25:14.*

Enoch, Abraham, Moses, Samuel, Elijah, Isaiah, Daniel, Paul, and many others knew things that the ordinary people of their way did not know, all for the reason that they feared God. This principle of godly fear in them caused them to:

Obey Him and His commands at any cost. *Gen. 22:12.*

Kept them from sinning against God. *Psa. 119:3.*

Made them to act different from the heathen. *Neh. 5:15.*

It made them to live clean lives. *Psa. 19:9.*

It made them to walk uprightly. *Psa. 15:2.*

It made them to work righteousness. It gave hopes in their hearts. *Psa. 31:24.*

And so it was, God did "shew his covenant unto them."

1. It meant that He redeemed them and took defilement away from them, and made them to know His Spirit. *Psa. 19:7; 119:1; 2 Sam. 23:2.* A revelation was this indeed. This was a secret so far beyond the comprehension and understanding of the multitude of heathen, idol worshippers, that they were hated and their testimony was discredited by the masses of the worldly people.

2. God revealed to them a very secret, secluded path, in which they were permitted to travel. Job speaks of it in these words, "There is a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen: The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it," *Job 28:7, 8.* It is called God's way, *Deut. 8:6; Psa. 128:1.* It is also called "the highway of holiness," *Isa. 35:8.*

3. These who "feared God" were permitted to walk with Him, a thing entirely beyond natural and human things. "Enoch walked with God" and it was so real that he just went on to heaven without dying, *Gen. 5:22.* Abraham knew this great secret. God appeared unto him to make him to know it, *Gen. 17:1.* Hezekiah walked with God, *2 Kings 20:3,* and many others, *Micah 6:8.*

4. Among other things which God

showed to these who feared Him was His future plans, and the future glory He had for them. Abraham caught a glimpse of that "city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God," *Heb. 11:10.* Also the Redeemer and His coming conquests and final triumph, of which His own people were to have part, were made known, *Isa. 53; Psa. 72; Dan. 7.*

"For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him," *Isa. 64:4.*

"But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit, for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God," *1 Cor. 2:10.*

EIGHTY-THREE A MINUTE

At a certain church the pastor put these words over the clock, "Eighty-three a minute." At last a committee waited on him and said, "Will you kindly take that down; it haunts us." They knew that it meant that eighty-three souls per minute were passing out into eternity's darkness, not even having heard of Jesus the only Savior. Do we care? Is there nothing we can do about it?

"The old saloon had its faults, but at its worst there never was any chance that you would have to fight your way through school girls to get to the bar." This was spoken recently by a man who intended it to be humorous. But indeed, it reveals the tragic way in which the return of liquor is corrupting the youth.

Trouble, then prayer, then deliverance, is the blessed schedule over which many a faithful Christian goes again and again.

We cannot go through life fresh and strong on constant express trains, with ten minutes for lunch; but we must have quiet hours, secret places of the Most High, and times of waiting upon the Lord, when we renew our strength, and learn to mount up on wings as eagles, and then come back to run and not be weary, and to walk and not faint.—A. B. Simpson.

"Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles, that whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may, by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation," *1 Pet. 2:12.* In all human experience there is nothing which glorifies God more than a consistent Christian life.

"The wages of sin is death," *Rom. 6:23.* But how many work for the master whose wages they do not want.

Young People's Corner

THE WORLD AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Some old people think that the young people must see some of the world and some young people seem to think it is their right. But God says "Love not the world," *1 John 2:15.* By the world we mean the ways of the common sinners—the worldings, or the world's society in general.

1. That atmosphere is not a good one in which to grow spiritual fruits and graces. "This world is not a friend to grace." Satan is called its "god." Do not think you have missed anything if you have given it up. It is just a matter of who you follow, the Lord God of heaven, or the world. The two are as opposite as the north and south poles. "Know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God," *James 4:4.* Millions have tried in vain to disprove the statement of this text. You cannot hook worldliness on to God.

2. Young people are not immune to the evil influences of the world, but rather they are more easily ensnared than older people for several reasons. Young people with the freshness of youth are more acceptable in many circles than older persons. Then if the thought of their waywardness is apparent there is the feeling of many years yet ahead in which to make amends. Others think nothing else is expected of them.

3. But a wrong attitude to the world has proved fatal to multitudes, some who have felt a desire in youth to be saved and put it aside, have never in life again felt so inclined and many die in youth. Blessed are they who heed the wise man's injunction, "Remember now thy creator in the days of thy youth," *Ecc. 12:1.*

4. Beware then of the world, steer in the opposite direction. Kings, wise men, prophets, gospel preachers, and hosts of church members have proved the danger of getting too close to the world.

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Bible I embraces a study of the Four Gospels. Bible II is a study of the Old Testament scriptures portraying in types and shadows God's divine plan of redemption for the human race.

The Acts of the Apostles, Pauline and General Epistles are taken up in the third division of the Bible Course.

Needless to state, every Christian needs a thorough understanding of God's truth. The dark, misty atmosphere of wickedness and unbelief is a signal warning us to speedily prepare for the last great conflict. We hear, as it were, the rumbling of the cannons and the rustling of the enemy. This tends to make one feel the fight is on. We must take advantage of the golden opportunities set before us.

Our able teachers are a God-send to our lives. They do not teach us in an impersonal and mechanical manner as do some instructors. Their many years of searching and seeking deeper truths have qualified them for the positions they now occupy. In humble reverence and the fear of God they expound the way of life more perfectly to us. Due to the fact our inability has stared us in the face so frequently while on the field, we readily embrace and love the truth.

The proverb "Truth crushed to the earth will rise again" tends to stimulate a heavenly patriotism within the heart of each student, thus inspiring each of us to seek and defend the gospel truths.

A greater day than this has never presented itself to the Church of God people. The educational value of the B. T. S. Bible Course to all men everywhere cannot be over-estimated.

The dire need of our world today is the Gospel or the way to life. Millions, yea billions, are groping in spiritual darkness, desiring to find a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their pathway. We must be qualified to bear the message to the world.

I am thoroughly convinced that there isn't a better place to study God's Word than at Bible School. One may think a Bible study at home would be just as

effective, but there are many reasons why this is untrue. The fact that there aren't others studying the Bible with you would tempt you to neglect or lay it aside to participate in other activities, while in school each student is made to feel the necessity of being thoroughly familiar with every subject phase of the daily lesson.

Class discussion from all angles is a great advantage to the Bible student. Great truths are gleaned that would be entirely obscure in other methods of study, thus enabling the student to achieve and win through his or her direct Bible course.

Dear reader, we covet your presence in our daily Bible study as we anticipate a successful term of B. T. S. for each individual now with us.

Even as Moses of old invited Hobab to journey with him saying, "Come thou with us, and we will do thee good," Num. 10:29, so we resound the invitation to you, Come thou with us, and we will do thee good.—Dorothy Diffenderfer.

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HOMILETICS

I will endeavor to tell something about Homiletics—yes, Homiletics, a subject every preacher and church worker should know something about.

Homiletics is the science or art, or indeed both, of preaching. It shows how, scientifically, to prepare a sermon or gospel address, and how to deliver it effectively. What is more needed today to face this intelligent and educated world? It deals with every angle. This is very necessary in order to give a subject justice.

First, it discusses the text—the choice of a text, the advantage of having a text, the principles which govern the choice of a text, certain precautions in the choice of a text, the interpretation of texts, etc. Indeed, it is important to know these.

Then the theme: It must be admitted that a wiser chosen theme has much to do with the interestingness of a sermon. It is well to know the theme thoroughly. Be sure that it is one that the people you preach to can easily understand. Do not let it be a trivial one. Have a definite aim to drive for. We should never choose a theme that is not in accord with our experience, and with which we have no mental sympathy. It should also be suitable to time, place, and occasion.

We go next to gathering sermon material. Let us ask ourselves, What have I ever read on this subject? What have I ever observed that will throw light on this subject? What have I thought on this subject? What have I gathered on

this subject? After we have our material gathered, the next is to arrange it. Proper arrangement of the sermon material will prove a great advantage to both the preacher and the audience.

The sermon itself will be next in order. A good and brief introduction is a great asset to the sermon. Homiletics divides the body of the sermon into four parts.

1. What? It should deal with a statement and definition of the subject.

2. Why? This division should seek to answer the question why. That is, it should endeavor to set forth the necessity, reason, or proof of the theme or proposition.

3. How? The purpose of this division is to set forth the manner and method by which the theme of the sermon may be brought about, or the condition under which it may be received or fulfilled.

4. What then? If the first division answers the question; what—by explanation; the second, why—by argument; the third, how—by what means; the fourth answers the question, what then—by application.

The conclusion plays a very important part in the sermon. It is not too much to say that the last five minutes of the sermon is the most important part of it.

Homiletics names and explains three kinds of sermons; the textual, expository, and Bible reading.

Last we briefly make mention of illustrations and their uses. The greatest preachers have been masters in the art of illustrations. Perhaps our Lord set forth the value of illustrations in preaching by His example more than anyone else. His discourses abounded in anecdotes, parables, and illustrations. No wonder crowds hung for days upon the words as they fell from the Master's lips. An illustration is to the sermon what a window is to the house—it lets light in. Illustrations are the windows of speech—through them the truth shines.

These are just a few of the many things we learn from the study of Homiletics. Space and time would not permit the numerous and valuable details.

Where are we to study this valuable course? Why, right here in B. T. S. You could not invest your time and money in a better school. Just come and see.—Max L. Atkins.

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Glad to Have Attended Normal

Dear saints of God everywhere:

I can never thank God enough for being able to attend the Music Normal. During the six weeks the faculty and all of the students became very dear to me. I was drawn closer to the Lord, and feel

more encouraged to work for Him. I only wish that I could have stayed for the entire term of school. I hated to say good-bye to the students and teachers whom I will always remember. I trust and pray that I will be permitted to return next year.

I desire your prayers that I may do the will of the Lord at all times.—Nina Clowers, Beckley, W. Va.

Dearest Place on Earth

Dear Readers:

It is useless to ask an ex-student if they enjoyed their term or terms in Bible School, and if they desire to return, because the answer will always be a unanimous "yes." To me this is the dearest place on earth. Now you may say that I have not been many places—well, you have never been here. It was during a term of school here that I made a complete surrender to the Lord, and a full consecration.

In spite of the fact that we have such a wonderful student body this term, we need you to stand back of us with your prayers—and we believe you will not fail us.—Jaunita Dixon.

CORRESPONDENCE DEPARTMENT

He is Ever Near to Comfort

Read Psalm 23.

Truly there is much satisfaction in the first verse of this scripture. "The Lord is my shepherd." As the shepherd watches over the weakest of his flock, even so does our heavenly Father, the good Shepherd, watch over us. When we are lost this wonderful Shepherd seeks to find us to save our souls and give us eternal life. He also supplies our every need as this scripture says, "I shall not want," if we only learn to trust Him.

In Psalm 46:1 we learn that God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. How wonderful it is to know our blessed Lord, our burden-bearer, One who never forsakes us. Even when friends and relatives forsake us He is ever near to comfort. When sickness comes our way and all means turn away from us and it seems there is nothing else we can do, if we can only turn to Jesus and ask Him for help He is ever ready to help. Whether we have plenty of money or are in the very worst stage of poverty it doesn't make any difference to Jesus, who is ever ready to deliver us.

One thing, we should always be ready to answer when He calls and when time comes for us to depart this life we can rejoice to know we are ready to go, for we know in that heavenly place there shall be no sickness or sorrow, for God will wipe away all tears. So in a time

of sickness we should always be ready to answer the call and as the Psalmist says, "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."—Ralph Smith, correspondence student, Missouri.

Report of Texas Ministers' Meeting

The state ministers' meeting convened at Ft. Worth church on Nov. 17 with a goodly number of ministers present. It seemed that everyone had a mind to work this year more than ever before. I believe there is a spirit of zealotness among our Texas folks that we have been praying for. Texas is a big old state and many of our preachers had to come several hundred miles to attend this meeting, but they sacrificed and came.

We have some good work in Texas but it is so far from one church to another, it is a greater sacrifice for us to get together than in other states. Our churches are scattered from the extreme southeast to the extreme northwest part of the state, which is a distance of about one thousand miles, but in spite of that we had better than forty preachers present and everyone seemed to be at his best. Brother T. S. Payne, our state overseer, being with us last year had the work so outlined and preachers already placed so there was little to be done in this meeting toward placing preachers. Most all were located, and more than that, everyone seemed to be satisfied with his location and had a great determination to accomplish something for God in his respective location. Many good things were discussed.

Two things I will mention—the thought of Texas having a Bible School and state paper. I truly believe that these two things will bring us Texas folks closer together. The plans and date for the beginning of these two worthy needs have not been perfected yet, but are in their making.

You Texas folks be looking for a letter from me in regard to our state paper, especially you district overseers, as I am closer connected with the paper than with the school, however, I am a booster for both. I am sure you have already seen Brother Payne's notice in the Evangel about the school. Let's put forth a great effort to attend this six weeks' term of school. Don't say we can't. Come on, churches, if you want a better qualified pastor, don't you think that would be a good way to get one, just help the one you have to attend this school, and in return he can help you the rest of the year by being better qualified to deliver you soul food. Come on preachers, don't weaken. I hope your

zeal is running as high this cold, snowy morning as it was when we saw you at the preachers' meeting. Let's be ready to go when Brother Payne gives us the date. If you are interested in going to the school, please write Brother T. S. Payne, 803 N. Main St., Weatherford, Texas, and get full information regarding tuition, board, room, the books you need, etc. Come on, district overseers, let's get busy on our respective district and put over the program of the church.

Remember the first Sunday in February was set for the time to get our aged ministers' quota, which is an amount equivalent to ten cents per member. Think how little that is to contribute to such a worthy cause. Those older men and women who blazed the trail for us really suffered to bring in some churches that some of us are pastoring. Some of our younger preachers think they have a hard time, but if you have never been out on the frontiers and dug out a church, I am afraid you don't know just what the word "sacrifice" means in its fulness.

I certainly appreciated the little article, "Ungratefulness", in the Editorials of Jan. 2 issue. Oh, how we should work for the progress of the Church, but at the same time let's not forget those who suffered for it before our day.

It was agreed at our preachers' meeting that we would not have a state Sunday School superintendent and Y. P. E. president separate from state overseer, but each district overseer with state overseer would work out plans that would work on their respective district.—Yours for a big year in the Church of God, J. T. Campbell, clerk, ministers' meeting.

Gaining Ground

ST. GEORGE, W. Va.—We are glad to say we are still among the living. The church here at Fairview is progressing nicely with Brother Jackson as pastor. We really feel we are gaining ground once more. We won the state Sunday School banner for the month of November, for which we are really proud. I wish we could keep it. Please pray for the church here that God will work with the hearts of the people and bring sinners to repentance.

Please pray for my family, some are out of the ark of safety. Pray that God will bring them into the fold. Pray for me, I want to get closer to God. Please help me pray through.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. D. Nine, Rt. 2.

The sitting to be done in the Christian life must not be done on the stool of do-nothing, but at the feet of our Lord and our brethren.

REPORTS

NEW CHURCHES

Thanks to God and Cheers to the Workers

J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

We truly thank God, for our brethren are working, God is blessing, and giving souls for their labors.

For the first quarter already twenty-seven new churches have been organized and two reorganized, making a total of twenty-nine already added since the Assembly.

In the United States, Virginia is leading, having set in order three new churches since the last Assembly. Three cheers for Brother J. L. Dorman and workers of Virginia.

The overseer of Haiti, Brother J. Vital Herne, has the lead in the foreign work. He reports three new churches in his territory. One of his three new ones has a membership of one hundred sixty-three members. So again, three cheers for Brother Herne and workers.

Six states show a gain of two new churches each, seven with one, and two states have each reorganized a church. Really we do appreciate so much the work that has been done by all, in fact, resurrecting dead churches is indeed a wonderful work.

You will notice below where the states are given alphabetically that Minnesota is credited with two new churches. Minnesota is considered almost a brand-new territory. Let's cheer Brother H. E. Ramsey and his workers. Not only cheer them but especially pray for them and all the rest.

Alabama, 1; Arkansas, 1; Florida, 2; Georgia, 2; Illinois, 2; Kentucky, 2; Massachusetts, 1; Minnesota, 2; Missouri, 2; North Carolina, 1; Ohio, reorganized 1; Oklahoma, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; South Carolina, 1; Texas, 1; Tennessee, reorganized 1; Virginia, 3; West Virginia, 1; Foreign, Haiti, 3.

Come on, all you other states, keep working. Possibly some are waiting about sending in the report of the new churches. However, reports show a nice gain in numbers compared with last year's entire gain. Of course, there will no doubt be some churches disbanded later, that will effect our gain.

Reports also show that there are numerous doors opening to our ministers now in the new fields. Keep praying, God is able to direct your steps, and give many souls this year.

CHURCH BUILDINGS

A number of good church buildings

have been erected and are being erected in the various states. However, I do not have definite reports of this work.

Recently the writer was called to Kanapolis, N. C. to take part in the dedication of the new brick church house that is indeed modern and one among our best local church houses. You, no doubt, read about this new church house and many, I understand, heard the dedicatory service broadcast over W. B. T., Charlotte, N. C. It is indeed wonderful and a rare exception that such a nice, large building is dedicated to the Lord free of debt the first day services are conducted in it.

Gained Church in Idaho

WINCHESTER, Idaho.—Dear saints, I am sending you some good news. We have gained a church and pastor at this place. I set the church in order last night with twelve members and about six more are to come. Seven of these are men and five are women. The pastor was converted in our meetings five years ago and was laboring here when we found them. I highly endorse her faithfulness in hard places such as we have.

This is a sawmill town and farming district of about one thousand population. This sister's husband is a fine man and they make a good team. Please pray for us, it has been thirty-two degrees below zero here. We are laboring with all our heart for the Church of God and its cause.—A colaborer in the Church of God, J. B. Camp, North Bend, Wash.

Striving to Shine the Light of Salvation to the Lost

To our many friends and loved ones in the Lord, greetings. We are glad to say we enjoy our new field of labor and the people with whom we work. We have found some real Church of God people in this state. We praise the Lord for all of them. We have also found other good people in the state and have had fellowship with other churches. We thank God for them. We love all of God's people and can fellowship them as long as they will stick to the Bible.

There was only one church in the state when we were appointed overseer, but are glad to say we have three churches in the state now. We have a nice little church at Wheaton, Minn., with twelve members, in a good location in town. Sister Bulah Isaacson is tending the work there. She had proved to be loyal and a good preacher. We can use quite a few preachers like her. Thank God for Sister Isaacson.

We also have a nice little work in the country, out of Pine River, Minn., with fourteen members. We have a schoolhouse to worship in. We thank God for

the school board who made us welcome to the schoolhouse. We preached only five nights in Pine River and had twelve to pray through. I believe we have one fine preacher, Brother Charles Van Dorn. He and his wife and three children joined the Church of God and he is our pastor at Pine River. Thank God for Brother Van Dorn.

We have a great prospect for a church near Aitkin, Minn. Pray that God will give us a work here. We are glad to say we have Brother J. C. Farmer of North Carolina with us. We have appointed him district pastor of the Pine River district. We feel that he can take care of the district as he is a worthy man. We ask the churches at Pine River, Wheaton, and Herman to co-operate with Brother Farmer in carrying out the rules of the Assembly.

The Olson quartet is living near Aitkin, Minn., and they have agreed to work with Brother Farmer in the state. They started a revival near Aitkin Saturday, Dec. 26, Brother Farmer preaching and the Olsen quartet singing. We ask those who read this to please pray for our success in this revival and in the state. We need your prayers and the smiles of the Lord on our life, that we can be soul winners for Him.

We praise the dear Lord for Brother and Sister E. B. Wolff of Pine River, who took us in their home and made us feel welcome and at home. They have proved to be our brother and sister in the Lord, they are real children of God and we are happy to say real Church of God folks.

We broadcast over KDGE, Fergus Falls, Minn., Saturday at 11:00 a. m. and Tuesday at 11:00 a. m. Pray that God will make the broadcast a blessing.—H. E. Ramsey, overseer of Minnesota.

California Ministers' Meeting

The first ministers' meeting ever held in the state of California convened at the Long Beach Church of God, Dec. 20, 1936, under the leadership of Brother E. M. Ellis, our state overseer. At the morning service Brother Ellis preached on "Bible Order." There was an intermission for lunch and then the afternoon service, which was the most important part of the program, since the program of the church was to be placed before the ministers of the state. The church was full for this service and everyone present enjoyed the message delivered by Brother Ellis. All were made to feel the necessity of being one hundred per cent back of our missions, old ministers' fund, Y. P. E., Sunday School, and the Evangel, showing that we are going to support our Church paper. Subscriptions were secured. Our orphans were not for-

gotten.

Attending this service was the entire body of our California ministers practically. Also a few ministers were present who are affiliated with other movements here. We were glad to have them with us. There were twenty preachers, three deacons, four clerks, and two exhorters in all. Visitors were there from Texas, Ohio, and Wyoming.

Special music was rendered by the Ellis quartet and a soloist, Sister Jewel Wiswell of Corona.

A testimony was given by Sister Jefferies of Corona in the form of a request for prayer that God would help in their undertaking to build a large church there. God was in this session in a great way and everyone can expect better results from California in the future. Everyone pray for the work here in the west.—Woodrow C. Byrd.

The Lord is Able to Save and Heal

VERDA, Ky.—I praise God for what He is to me. I thank Him for His healing power. The Lord blessed and healed our baby when death was on it. We had three doctors and they were unable to diagnose its case.

My wife was a backslider and she repented and we put the medicine in the fire. We and some of the saints from Ca-wood church, where we are pastor, went down in prayer. God heard and answered prayer and healed our baby and saved my wife. I surely praise Him. Oh glory! I feel His presence now.

We ask all to pray for us to hold faith in God.—Edd Cox, Box 110.

Have Victory Over the Devil

BRILLIANT, Ala.—I praise God for the good Holy Ghost and for victory in my soul. I have been afflicted in my body for sometime but I feel that I have victory over my afflictions. I believe the Lord has healed me. Praise His dear name. I have been suffering with my heart, but I know the Lord can heal if we can have the faith to trust Him. Pray for me that I can have faith to always trust the Lord.

I praise God for the good service we had tonight. The Lord blessed wonderfully.

Pray that I will stay close to God and be a blessing to others as I go along the way. I have many loved ones in sin, pray for them to be saved before it is too late. We know the Lord is able to save. Pray for the church here, I believe we are going over the top for the Lord yet. The devil surely has given us a hard battle, but, praise God, I think we have victory over the devil. We have a good Sunday School here.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Ada Barton.

Biltmore Church of God Moving Forward

We praise God for our new pastor, Brother A. V. Childers and his family. We surely are encouraged to move forward for Jesus.

We closed a successful revival two weeks ago in which souls were saved, sanctified, and filled with heaven's sweet Holy Ghost. Brother D. B. Yow did the preaching and his messages surely were fine. We also had Brother Alphus LaFevre with us to sing and play. His singing has been a blessing to many in our community. He is still on our district working and we are really glad to have him.

Our Willing Workers band, which Brother Childers helped us to get organized, is progressing and God is blessing in this work. We are trying to be a blessing to the orphanage and the needy of our community through this band. We are also raising money for our new church building. Surely God is for us and we praise His dear name for all His blessings.—Mae Vess.

Means by His Grace to Go On

WARRIOR, Ala. — Dear Evangel readers, I praise my blessed Savior for He has done so much for me. I am so glad that He saved, sanctified, and filled me with the walking, talking Holy Ghost, and I mean by His grace to go on. I am glad of a Bible experience, it means much to me to serve the dear Lord. I have heard some say that if their wife and daughter didn't go, they didn't want to go either, but praise the sweet name of Jesus, I want to go if others don't go. Still I would like for all who will to come and go with me. This is a wonderful way.

My husband and I have been telling people about this way for twenty-seven years. It surely means much to me to live for my Savior. I want to be ready when He comes for His own. I praise the Lord for the Evangel. I surely like to read it and have it in my home, it is food to my soul.

My husband has gotten so feeble, we can't go to church much, but I hope the time will come when we can go to service. It seems so long to have to stay away from the church, but we have the promise if we will be true. All we can do is just stay at home and pray and send in our little mite to help the ones who can go and carry the good gospel and tell lost souls about Jesus.

I have been in this way twenty-seven years and the way gets better all along. I have never had a desire to turn back but have gone on and tried to do all I could while my husband was able to go. Now he can't walk or read, nor is he able to do anything, but he can pray for

the ones who can go.

I want everyone to pray for me that I will always be true and faithful to do my Father's will and let my light shine at all times.

Since we left the field of labor my husband got sick and has been down five years. He hasn't been able to help me in any way, but we have trusted the Lord for healing so far and by the grace of the dear Lord we mean to go on. I want everyone to pray for us that we can please Him. This is a Bible way and He said He would go with us all the way. The enemy tries us when we get sick, he can tell us many remedies, but since I got this wonderful salvation I have never done anything but trust Him for healing. Please pray for my husband to be healed, if it is His will. We covet your prayers.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Jack Duke.

Death Notices

WALTERS

On Jan. 8, 1937 the death angel visited the home of Brother Tom Walters and claimed for its victim his loving wife. She was a member of the Church of God at McColl, S. C. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Brother John D. Carter, assisted by Brother Kirby, and interment was made in the Fletcher cemetery.—One who loved her.

SHIPP

Mr. George Shipp of Perdido, Ala. died Dec. 30, 1936. He was a member of the Church of God and trusted God to the end. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Brother A. G. Phillips, and interment was made in Booneville cemetery, Booneville, Ala.

SIMPSON

Sister Mary Simpson (evangelist) died Jan. 2, 1937. She was faithful until the last, and we feel we have lost one of our best friends. The funeral was conducted by Brother Dunn, Brother Burroughs and her pastor at Pratt City, Ala. church, the church she loved so much. Her life for about thirty years was spent in the work of the Lord and was devoted to the cause she loved and labored so faithfully for.—M. D. Harwood, Pratt City, Ala.

STATE CONVENTIONS

Jamaica

January 28-31

H. A. HUDSON, Overseer

The overseers will be expected to arrange the place, entertainment and programs in their respective territory.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

News from the Mission Field

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary, Mission Board

CORRECTION

In the Evangel of Oct. 3, 1936, I stated that we had a large dormitory in connection with the Bible School in India, with separate quarters for men and women. I did not make my statement clear and may have left the wrong impression.

The women are quartered in one or more of the large rooms connected with the overseer's home in the main administration building, but as far as I could see all or most of them slept on the floor. The men use the chapel as a dormitory, making their mats down in rows after the desks are moved, and I am informed that we can only accommodate sixty men in this manner. We are sadly in need of larger and better quarters for our men students. Will you not pray? Also please remember that some of us will have to put legs to our prayers—so to speak. Trained native workers are indispensable, when it comes to carrying on the work in foreign lands. It would not cost a fortune to raise the roof and add another story to the chapel, which could be used as a dormitory for men.

And wouldn't it be nice if we could provide some sort of a bed for each student—say a canvas cot, for example—so they could have at least a little comfort while in training? I wonder how it would set with our Bible students in the homeland if they had to sleep on bamboo mats and subsist on two meals a day, consisting of rice and curry? And then to think, many of our students in India never hope to have more than one change of clothes at a time, and must hide out in the jungle while they wash and dry their robes!—J. H. Ingram.

Special Note From Brother Ingram

I have been thinking very seriously about getting out a book containing a brief history of my life to-date. A special feature will be an account of thirty-one years' travel at home and abroad, which has taken me into forty-five states and forty foreign countries and colonies. Eighteen years spent in mission work, home and foreign, which was brought to a climax by my missionary trip around the world in 1936, will be described in detail. Egypt and the Holy Land will be dealt with at length, and the book itself will be profusely illustrated, depicting scenes in many lands.

If this plan materializes, I want to give the work to the Publishing House at

Cleveland, and expect to help the mission cause from the proceeds. If any of the friends or brethren are interested in such a work, please drop me a penny post card at once voicing your approval. In doing this you will not be obligating yourself to buy one of the books and at the same it will help me in deciding whether or not my writings are interesting enough to justify putting them in book form. Address J. H. Ingram, 1630 Cherry Ave., Long Beach, Calif.

Mission News

Brother Herne in Haiti, writes that he can't wait any longer to tell the good news. In his last letter he had just set two churches in order and now he writes that Brother J. D. Scotland, one of his coworkers whom he had authorized to set some churches in order, has just organized four churches with a total of 211 members, which makes an average of more than 50 members to the church, and has appointed pastors and clerks for each one.

We praise the Lord with Brother Herne for the way He is blessing. May we not forget our missions when we pray.—Zeno C. Tharp, Sec., Mission Board.

MISSIONS! MISSIONS!

Can We Double a Double?

Greatest Increase and Enthusiasm in the Whole History of the Church

Greatest Mission Program with the Most Missionaries on Field with Greatest Outlook

All the States Except Eleven this Last Quarter Beat Their Own All-Time High Record for First Quarter of Last Year by a Good Margin

The total missions money raised last Assembly year doubled the previous year's total, which was the highest in history up to that time, and had a margin of \$200.75 over. Can 1937 double 1936? I hear some say, "It can't be done." That's what they said last year. Well, it looks hard when you think of doubling another double, but wait.

Last Assembly year's first quarter beat the previous year's first quarter by 63.96 per cent. Now this year's first quarter has passed last year's quarter by 79.62 per cent. Thus proving if we can continue in proportion as we did last year we can DOUBLE LAST YEAR'S DOUBLE WITH A STILL GREATER MARGIN. It is possible. LET'S MAKE IT A REALITY.

A recent letter from Haiti tells of three new churches set in order since the Assembly, one with one hundred sixty-three members. Good reports are coming from other foreign fields of the openings and good prospects, with hopes of definite results in the near future.

Just look at North Carolina, plunging way ahead in missions followed by South Carolina. (Cheers to Brothers J. L. Stephens and workers, also Brother R. P. Johnson and workers.) And of course, we all praise and thank God for everyone of our workers. Next comes Florida, Alabama, West Virginia, and Tennessee. Think of it, the Carolinas are leading for the first quarter. We give the following states in their respective order: 7 Ohio, 8 Georgia, 9 Mississippi, 10 Illinois, 11 Pennsylvania, 12 Kentucky, 13 Texas, 14 Maryland, 15 Michigan, 16 Virginia, 17 Missouri, 18 Indiana, 19 Louisiana, 20 Arkansas, 21 Oklahoma, 22 N. Dakota, 23 California, 24 Maine, 25 S. Dakota, 26 Kansas, 27 Montana, 28 Minnesota, 29 New Mexico, 30 Delaware, 31 District of Columbia, 32 Arizona, 33 Nebraska, 34 Massachusetts, 35 Wyoming.

We will here give the fifteen highest, beating their own record of last year for the same quarter. First place again is gained by North Carolina, 2 Alabama, 3 South Carolina, 4 West Virginia, 5 Mississippi, 6 Illinois, 7 Tennessee, 8 Kentucky, 9 Texas, 10 Pennsylvania, 11 Virginia, 12 Maryland, 13 Michigan, 14 Missouri, 15 Georgia.

Sunday night before Christmas we were privileged to visit Greenville, S. C. for their evening service, and they gave the Lord a birthday offering for foreign missions, which totaled over \$105.00. Upon returning to Cleveland Monday, we learned that East Chattanooga Sunday School had put on a Sunday School drive for the Lord's birthday and had raised \$280.01 for missions—more money than several of the states raised for the entire quarter. So you see what a little effort will do? May God grant that we all will see this great need to preach the gospel! send the gospel! to everyone we can while we have an opportunity. Pray for our missionaries daily.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

REQUEST

Pray for my husband to get well of sinus trouble and to be saved. Pray for my seven children to be saved, also my two sons-in-law, four grandchildren, and me.—Mrs. J. A. Bob Douglas, Rt. 2, Box 115, Jellico, Tenn.

Please pray a special prayer for my wife to be completely healed of nerve trouble. She is trusting the Lord for her healing.—L. C. Self, Box 576, Great Falls, S. C.

NOTICES

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Empire, and you talk about co-operation, it was there! They surely inspired us more than we did them. Please let me here give honorable mention to Sister Minthaia Odear. She took the Young People's Class Oct. 4, 1936 with an attendance of sixteen and collection of ten cents, and on Nov. 22, 1936, about six weeks later, she had seventy present and \$6.42 collection. Oh, dear Lord, help us all to be real workers for you. In this afternoon's mail I had a report from this Sunday School and their average attendance for last month was 176 1-2. Now it's going to take real work, dear Alabamans, to get this banner from this school. Brother York, Brother Simpson and all the teachers really pull together.

The parents of our church should not SEND their children to Sunday School but TAKE them. Every officer of the school should feel the burden of it and really "put a shoulder to the wheel." I think it really good to fill the choir on Sunday morning with our children and let them get used to singing the praises of our God. Let them feel we are depending on them for that part of the service.

Now don't think you can't build your Sunday School, get busy, appoint committees to work both night and day. Men, appoint a night to call on every home in your vicinity, find out if all go to Sunday School. If not, cordially invite them to come to yours. Ladies, the same in the day time. Have a welcoming committee, one out of each class. Then when the people come, take them to the right class, shew them you are really glad they came. They may not believe in holiness or understand the doctrine of our church, but you can make believers of them through the teaching in your school, and prepare them for the great revival that you are praying for. The Sunday School is a great place to win souls for Jesus. Oh, dear scholars, let's let our conduct in our Father's house be such as would attract these precious souls and not repel them. We are in business for God, let's realize the seriousness of this. There is something for everyone to do in this great work.

I do love the work that has been given to my daughter and me. Do pray for us that we will be enabled to do it well. If you need us before we get to visit your church, please call on us. We are coming possibly sooner than you think anyway. If there is a church in our state that doesn't have a Sunday School, we will be glad to come and spend a few days with you, organize for you and get you started off. This is such a great work, you need it in your church. If you

haven't a Y. P. E., please let us come and get this started also. Remember, we must keep our young people active in His service. God bless and help us all to do our best.—Lottie Baird, Alabama state Sunday School superintendent, 2511 20th place, Ensley, Ala.

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We will have home coming at the Church of God at Roanoke, Va. the fifth Sunday, Jan. 31, 1937. All the churches and preachers on this district are expected to be here and stay until it is over. It will close at 9:00 p. m. We also invite all the neighboring churches. Everybody will be expected to bring a well-filled basket of eats. Come and enjoy yourself with the Lord.—J. H. Daniels, district pastor, Rt. 1, Box 371, Roanoke, Va.

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To whom it may concern: I would like to hear from some evangelist who is in need of a musician. The party I worked with the past year has decided their party is too large. I play the piano, guitar, and do some preaching. I feel definitely called into the work and have a burden for lost souls. I am particularly interested in hearing from a lady who works by herself.—Your sister in Christ, Miss Edna L. Elliott, 608 Oakwood Ave., Lancaster, Ohio.

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Maryland and Delaware have gone over the top with their quota for aged ministers' fund.—Your brother in Christ, W. Carl Milligan, overseer.

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To all our members who are away from Bethel church: I'd be glad if you would send in your ten cents per member for aged ministers' fund; and it was agreed in our preachers' meeting in Macon that each member pay twenty-five cents per member on our camp ground at Macon, so we can have a place for our camp meetings. Now come on, you who are away from Bethel church, and let's pay our debts and God will bless you in a greater way.—Your servant, W. W. Ball, pastor, Lake Park, Ga.

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My present address is North Bend, Wash. To anyone living in the states of Washington or Idaho who are members of the Church of God, I would like to get in touch with you through the mail. Any Church of God preachers who feel the leading of the Lord to come to these states will find a welcome to a large field and to a people who need God.—Yours for the salvation of lost souls and the advancement of the Church, J. B. Camp, Overseer of Washington and Idaho.

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To the Sunday Schools in Kentucky: Evarts gets the banner for December.

They had just a small gain, several came close to it, it might have been your school. Try again! Please don't send me the tithes of the school, they go to J. P. Ashurst, 513 S. Main St., Somerset, Ky. Please subscribe for the Kentucky State News and keep up with us.—C. M. Dunn, state superintendent, 403 S. 21st St., Middlesboro, Ky.

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To the churches and workers of Virginia: Please order your Minutes from us.—Humbly, J. L. Dorman, overseer of Virginia, 1306 Campbell Ave., S. E., Roanoke, Va.

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This is to notify all people everywhere that O. B. Bolton and T. E. Tedford are not ministers in the Church of God.—T. S. Payne, overseer of Texas, 803 N. Main St., Weatherford, Tex.

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To whom it may concern: Brother Theodore Bennett is no longer clerk of the Church of God at Mobile, Ala., he having moved to Kentucky to live, and in his place I was elected clerk, Sept. 23, 1936.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. V. M. Davenport, 211 St. Louis St., Mobile, Ala.

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We are in a revival at Powderly, Ala. and God is really blessing. Eleven have been saved, eight sanctified, and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. Others are in the altar seeking. We are expecting a real outpouring of God's power. Please pray for us.—Your brother in Christ, Ernest Wilson.

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Sisters Mrytle Whitehead and Pauline Jackson began a revival at Shannon, Ga., January 17. We invite all neighboring churches to come help us and ask everyone else to pray for the revival.—Sincerely, J. R. Davis, Calhoun, Ga.

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If anyone knows the address of Erwin Browder, please send it to me and I will return postage.—F. M. Sawyer, Ellicott City, Md.

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The Church of God at Omaha, Ark. will have conference at the church Jan. 31, 1937 at 11:00 a. m. All members are asked to be present who can. Those who have moved away, please write me about your spiritual standing with the Lord.—Yours in the service of the Lord, Elizabeth Marlin, clerk, Omaha, Ark.

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Requests

Dear saints, please fast and pray much for me. I have been confined with rheumatism for sometime. Ask God to break my stubborn will and to remove every thing that hinders me from fully surrendering to Him in all things. Please pray much for me and send me some old Evangelists as my subscription is out and I don't get it now. Write me as I am alone in bed every day while my boys are in school.—C. B. Wall, Rt. 6, Lexington, N. C.

Please pray for my healing. One of my legs get sore sometimes and I want you to pray that the Lord will completely heal it. Pray that I may hold out faithful.—A brother under the blood, Johnie Wells, Archibald, La.

Dear saints, I am in bad health now. My nerves and heart are bad. I want you to please pray that the Lord will heal my body. Please don't pass this by but pray hard for me and pray that I will get closer to God.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Mae Wells, Archibald, La.

Please pray for my husband and baby who are afflicted. They have bad head trouble. Also pray for the healing of my mother's body as she is afflicted. Pray for my lost brothers and sisters that they will be saved before it is too late. They are all backsliders from the good Holy Ghost. If Ola Mae Henderson sees this, please write to me at once.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. Juanita Williams, Whitwell, Tenn.

Please pray for me that the Lord will make me able to work, for I want to do something for Him.—Mary Lynch, Nettleton, Ark., Gen. Del.

Dear ones, I need your prayers again as the enemy has afflicted my arm and hand. Unless I move them all the time circulation stops. My arm pains me all the time. Our pastor, Brother Strickland, and some others were on the way to service and some one ran into their car and tore it up. Six of the adults were hurt, one got his collar bone broken, but our pastor got by with just his hand hurt. Pray that the Lord will heal each one.—A sister, Clara Hagewood, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

Please pray for me as I have an afflicted hand, which is believed to have been caused from a scratch. Please pray for me.—J. E. Weeks, Rt. 2, Box 193, Ty-

ronza, Ark.

Dear saints, please pray a special prayer for me. I am laboring under a blackness of distress. Please do not trifle with this request. My sorrow is so great. Please, dear saints, oh please, drop to your knees and offer up a special prayer for me. Pray that God will take this great sorrow off my heart. Everyone who sees this pray for me, I am trying to be a Christian. — Yours truly, C. Joyner, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

Pray for our baby as she is ill. She is some better but still needs prayer.—H. T. Durden, 411 1-2 Wright St., Wilmington, N. C.

I ask the saints to please remember us in prayer here at Marfrance, W. Va. We started a revival Saturday night, Jan. 9. Crowds are coming out and prospects are good for a revival, but the enemy is surely putting up a hard fight. We feel God is going to give us the victory. Brother Noah Bates is helping us.—W. C. Edgell, Marfrance, W. Va.

Please pray for my wife. She has been in ill health for some time. Pray that she will get the victory like she once had, and remember me that I might stay true to the Lord and be an overcomer and do the Lord's will.—W. L. French, Cave City, Ark.

Pray for me to be healed of a serious trouble in my nose and head. I have such pain I can hardly bear it at times. Brother Rouse, please pray for me.—A sister in Christ, E. M. McKinney, Covell, W. Va.

Pray that the Lord will completely heal my baby. Pray for me that I will ever do the Lord's will.—Mrs. E. J. Baxter, Resaca, Ga.

Pray earnestly for me. I believe in holiness but I have a bad habit. I want you to pray for me to be delivered from the use of tobacco and be filled with the Holy Ghost. I want to be ready to go when Jesus comes or calls. Please pray for the Church of God at Cave City, Ark.—Homer Sisk, Rt. 1, Box 89, Cave City, Ark.

Pray for the Marion Church of God that this will be a year for a harvest of souls. Also pray for my dear mother who is now very ill, and pray for me that Jesus will keep me in the straight and narrow way. Pray for my wife to be healed and that we will be a blessing.—Sam Coalson, clerk, Marion, Va.

I have an unspoken request which I

want all the saints to pray for. Pray for me to grow stronger in the Lord. As I don't get to go to services much, I need your prayers. Pray for my unsaved children and that God will send a preacher to preach the true gospel to the people. This is a needy field.—Laura Barrentine, Rt. 1, Box 121, Beulah, Miss.

Remember me and my little family in prayer. Your prayers will help me. Please don't forget to pray for my son in Idaho. He is away from church and home, but our prayers can reach him.—Mattie Gleghorn, Dowdy, Ark.

I want you to pray for my side. I surely need your prayers. Pray for my mother, she fell and hurt her knee and can't walk. Also pray for my husband and children.—Mrs. Effie Pearson, Rt. 4, Box 215, Live Oak, Fla.

I ask you to please pray for my family and me. I don't have the opportunity of being in services so I am not spiritually strong as I'd like to be. My body is afflicted and I desire your prayers that I may be healed. Also pray for my twelve year old son that he may be healed and made strong in body. Pray that he and my other son and companion will be saved. Pray that we might have a revival meeting here this summer and a Church of God will be established. If Minnie Bennett of Logan, W. Va. sees this, please write me.—Mabel Richardson, Peebles, Ohio.

Please pray for our little baby. It is very ill. We are trying to trust God for healing.—Mrs. G. F. Crank, Russell Spring, Ky.

Please pray for mother. She fell Dec. 31 and broke her right arm. I also have an unspoken request. Pray for me to receive the Holy Ghost and for our entire home. Please pray until you feel the work is done.—Gracie Crossno, Rt. 1, Camden, Tenn.

I have lately taken over the work at Mt. Vernon and desire the prayers of all of God's people that I may prove a blessing to the people here and to the church. Pray that God will give us an old time revival.—Ual Hopkins, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Pray for our revival here at Sneedville, Tenn. known as Anthonys Chapel. It has been bad weather but the house is filled to its capacity each night with people from all parts of these hills eager to hear the gospel. Pray for me that God will heal my body as I am ruptured on both sides.—A brother on the battlefield, C. R. Ford, Middlesboro, Ky.

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He is Sufficient

MACCLENNEY, Fla.—I praise our dear King who has done so much for me. He is the best doctor I ever found. Bless His name. When He saved and sanctified me I was helpless with T. B., but He spoke to me and said, I put you on divine healing. I was healed. That has been six years ago. The enemy tried to bring it back, but thanks be to Jesus, He is sufficient. I praise His good name for touching my little girl's body. She was sick a good while, I sent Brother Rouse a handkerchief and when I received it I laid it on her body and prayed. Jesus touched her body and she is nearly well.

I can't praise Him enough. Please pray for my loved ones to be saved. God bless Brother Rouse and all the brothers and sisters that this will be the greatest year with us to pray and work more for Jesus.—Your humble sister, Mrs. Bessie Mae Register.

The persons who feed on flattery have a poor appetite and will never grow into usefulness until they change their diet—have their taste changed for something more conducive to spiritual strength, and lose their abnormal appetite for "ego" food.

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"COME" "TARRY" "GO"

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they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus.

Our precious Lord, immediately following His baptism in water, went into the wilderness for some forty days, waiting and meditating. Saul spent approximately three years in Arabia before going on into his ministry. Surely every minister should tarry long enough to be filled with the Holy Ghost and receive a definite calling into the ministry. I may not be able to tell you just how God will make this known to you, but you will know it.

There is such a dire need of the precious Holy Ghost in the lives of our people in these days. Our ministers should feel their need of the blessed presence of the Holy Ghost in all their ministry. He is to guide, to help, to teach, to strengthen, to anoint for special service. Abraham's servant who was sent to secure a bride for his master, Isaac, is a beautiful type of the Holy Ghost securing a bride for Jesus. The servant told of the great riches of his master, Isaac. He told of his master's home. He gave rich gifts from Isaac to the one who met the qualifications. O precious preachers, we should give that wonderful personality of the Godhead, the Holy Ghost, a chance to make known to us the riches of our Master. He (the Holy Ghost) desires to bestow gifts and those who qualify will be able to obtain these special favors and do a more effective ministry. We truly need His assistance in our efforts to carry this gospel to all the world.

Just to "come" to Christ is not sufficient, nor is it enough for one to just "tarry," but we must "GO." Jesus said, "Go ye into the world."

After the severe persecutions at Jerusalem the disciples were scattered abroad and preached the gospel everywhere. "In to all the WORLD." Notice the scope of territory. THE WHOLE WORLD—not just one country, one nation, but the whole world. Jesus said, "Ye are the light of the WORLD." "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the WORLD." "God so loved the WORLD that he gave." Incidentally, you will notice God's love gives, even to the only One, the only begotten Son. God's love in your heart will prompt your giving to others. "World through him might be saved." "He is Christ the Savior of the WORLD." God is to reconcile the WORLD to Himself through Christ. The responsibility of spreading the gospel is on us.

Mr. S. D. Gordon wrote in his little volume entitled "Prayer Changes Things," an imaginary conversation between Christ and the angel Gabriel soon after the ascension. Gabriel asked Jesus

what plans He had made to let all the world know how He lived and died and rose again. And the Master is supposed to have replied: "I asked Peter, James and John, and some more of them down there, just to go and make it the business of their lives to tell the others. And the others are to tell others, and the others yet others, and still others beyond, till the last man in the farthest reach has heard the story and has been caught, thrilled, and thrilled by the power of it." But Gabriel looks as if he could see difficulty in the Master's plan, and he says, "Yes, Master, suppose after a while Peter forgets. Suppose John loses his enthusiasm and simply doesn't tell the others. Suppose their successors away down there in the twentieth century get so busy about things, some of them good things—church things maybe—Suppose they get so busy that they do not tell the others. What then?" And back came that quiet voice of the Lord Jesus. He says, "Gabriel, I haven't made any other plans. I am counting on them."

William Carey, known as the father of modern missions, met the various oppositions of the world against missions and gave reasons that to-day have never been successfully contradicted. He said that if the "go ye into all the world" applied to the twelve apostles only, then baptizing should be left to them only and all Protestants except the Quakers are wrong about baptism. We should take the entire commission. Further, he reasoned if the commission was to the apostles only, then all missionaries that have gone since the twelve have gone without authority, and all the promises of God to the heathen are useless, unless a special commission direct from heaven was given. Still further, he argued that if the twelve only were to go, then God's presence is limited to them only. But thank God He said, "Lo I am with you always even to the end of the world."

Some think that the distance is too far, but with modern travelling you are there in comparatively little time. It is all right for the business men to push into these countries for the dollar, but then are we not interested in their souls? God pity the man who feels so unconcerned. God loves foreigners. I'm so thankful that He does. If not, we would never have had the privilege of enjoying this wonderful blessing, for if the Lord should return to earth to-day and speak in His own mother tongue, we English-speaking people, as well as many other nations, would not even understand Him; but I know He loves foreigners. Praise His wonderful name! When He returns, I want to be able through love to understand Him when He speaks.

God grant that we every one will catch the glimpse of the great need of

missions. Those who feel the definite call to these fields will be able to go because the rest are standing by with their finance.

There are many to-day who have been praying for years and yet they can not get away from the definite call to the mission fields. Just recently one, who had taken special studies of the language while in college so that she would be able to do the work she felt God would have her do, said, "Through all the years that call has not been drowned by the many cares of life, business responsibilities, nor pleasure of home." God is working. I wish I could tell you of the hardships some of our missionaries to-day are undergoing, or, some one said, rather overcoming. Yes, God is awarding their efforts. Hungry hearts are crying out for the message, and then see how they eagerly accept our Savior, humbly and persistently seeking until they are filled with the precious Holy Ghost.

When the great explorer and missionary, David Livingstone, lay on his death bed, Stanley said, "Why don't you go home? All England is ready to praise you. You can be raised to the honor of knighthood." But Livingstone answered, "Impossible! I must finish my work," and he sealed his work with his own life's blood, for the neglected black man of Africa. But in the resurrection, those souls will shine more brightly than any and all the diamonds ever mined from the Kimberly Diamond Mines of Africa, or any other place. Yes, even more than the stars of heaven.

Before this is printed in the Evangel the writer will be flying to foreign fields to assist with the work that is being done by our missionaries there. Do pray that God will abundantly bless in all our efforts. Our Mission Board has taken on the greatest program this year in the whole history of our mission work. They have confidence in you that you are going to prove your faith in missions by sending in your donations, sending in the needed finance to help keep this great work going. Already this first quarter of the Assembly year, or the last quarter of the calendar year of 1936, you have beat last year's record. The same quarter last year beat the year before. So you can clearly see that if we continue throughout the year, as we have begun, we can easily double the amount paid in last year. Can we double our mission money this year? Why not? We have a far better start than last year. We have a greater mission program. Our people are realizing the great need of missions. I believe that our doors of opportunity are open before us now, but may, in some fields, within a few years and possibly few days be closed. Surely this is the time for us to work with all our might.

EDITORIALS

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and will suffer in the future, we feel sure this is God's divine justice being wrought out on the remnant of those who have left off to do His holy commandments, and have taken things in their own hands.

NOTICES

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This is to notify all the churches on the Ft. Myers, Fla. district that our district convention will convene Feb. 5-7 at the Ft. Myers church located on Marsh Ave., Ft. Myers, Fla. All pastors, church, Sunday School, and Y. P. E. officials will be expected to attend this convention. Services begin Friday evening at 7:30, consisting of ministers and local church officials' meeting, and Saturday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. All Sunday School and Y. P. E. officials are requested to be at this service. There will be a mission offering taken Sunday morning. Please come prepared to give to this worthy cause. Service begins Sunday at 10:00 a. m. with dinner spread at noon. Please bring a well-filled basket. Also pray that God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost will be present to anoint and inspire each speaker and that all present will be blessed and benefited. Don't forget the date and place. We will be looking for you. Brother E. W. Williams, state overseer, will be in charge.—Geo. D. Lemons, district overseer.

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As there are some in Texas who think I am state evangelist, I am putting notice in the paper for their benefit, and for fear some who may know that I am not may think I am posing as state evangelist. However, I am evangelizing in the state.—Humbly, Ernest M. Smith, 708 Pershing St., Ranger, Tex.

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To the pastors of West Virginia: Those wishing to write me about singing schools or for any reason, my address for the remainder of the year will be Box 892, Logan, W. Va. I am giving my full time to this work that our church choirs may be built up and that we may be more able to glorify God in song. Anyone desiring my services in a Sunday School or in any way I can help you in the music line, I am ready to serve you.—Your humble brother, W. H. Ward, state singing teacher of West Virginia.

God Heard our Prayers

PINE RIVER, Minn.—Dear Evangel readers, I'm glad this morning for a God who hears and answers prayer. About six months ago we moved from South Dakota to Minnesota, but found there was no Church of God here and only one

church in the whole state of Minnesota.

We started praying for God to send us a way to worship, and, thank God, He heard our prayers. He sent us the dear Ramsey family, the overseer of Minnesota. Now if there ever was a man who can stand the blows of the enemy with the grace of God shining in his soul, Brother Ramsey is the man.

After a one week's meeting here in town we decided to start a revival out in the country. Brother Ramsey set a church in order here in town with fourteen members, and we feel there are others looking this way. Included in the fourteen members is a preacher who is taking care of the work at the present.

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Pray for the state of Minnesota

that much good can be done.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. E. B. Wolff.

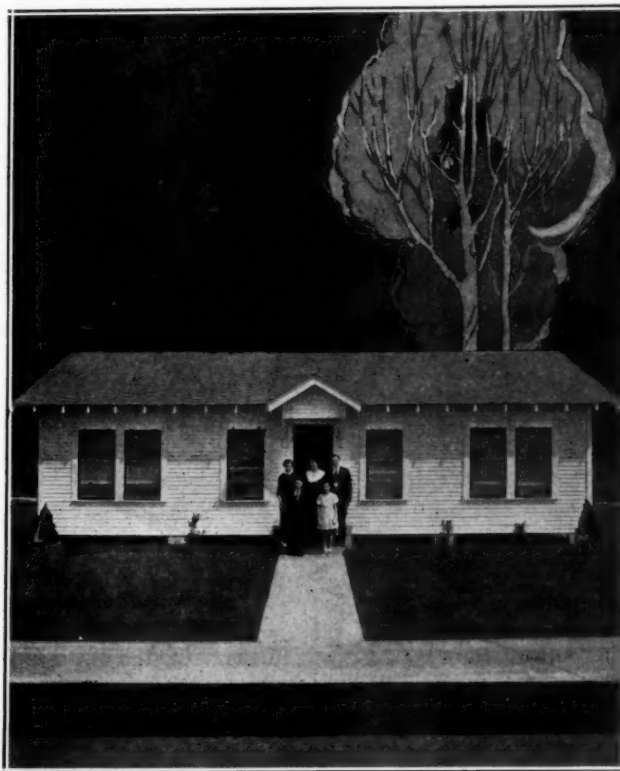
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